MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC HEARING HELD BEFORE THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF JASPER, INDIANA JANUARY 3, 2005

(RESCHEDULED FROM 12/22/2004)

A public hearing was held at 6:50 p.m. on Monday January 3, 2005 in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 610 Main Street, Jasper, Indiana. Due to the inclement weather, this public hearing was cancelled on December 22, 2004 and rescheduled for the above listed date and time.

Roll Call.

Mayor William J. Schmitt	Present
Councilmembers	
John Schroeder	Present
Bradley Seger	Present
Thomas Schmidt	Present
Ambrose 'Butch' Schitter	Present
Renee Kabrick	Present
Randall Buchta	Present
Raymond Howard	Present
City Attorney Sandra Hemmerlein	Present
Clerk-Treasurer Juanita S. Boehm	Present

Clerk-Treasurer Juanita Boehm announced that in order to have a quorum for the hearing, a majority of the members of the legislative body must be in attendance. All seven members were in attendance; therefore, there was a quorum for the hearing.

The purpose of the hearing was to receive public comments concerning the petition of the Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools to vacate an alley located at 340 W. 6th Street.

Notice appeared in the Herald on November 18, 2004. Notice was also posted at city hall.

Arthur J. Nordhoff, Jr., attorney for the Greater Jasper Consolidated Schools, presented a map of the old Middle School at 340 W. 6th Street and the surrounding area. While searching records in order to sell the school property, Nordhoff explained that he discovered an alley had been platted in 1920 at the request of the Civil School Corporation of the City of Jasper, but records show that the alley had never been built. Nordhoff said the gymnasium had been built across the alley in 1924 and that two building additions had been built across the alley since then. He stated that there is no need for an alley and requested the alley be vacated.

City Engineer Chad Hurm reported that during the review by departmental managers, it was determined that the alley had never been built and probably would never be built; therefore, there were no objections to vacating the alley.

There were no other comments and no remonstrators present.

On **motion** made by Councilmember Ambrose Schitter, seconded by Councilmember Thomas Schmidt, and unanimously agreed, the public hearing was closed at 6:54 p.m.

	William J. Schmitt, Mayor
	Presiding Officer
Attest:	
Juanita S. Boehm, Clerk-Tı	**************************************

Cynthia Kluemper, Recording Secretary